



CAP Informant

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CAP Ensembles:

Concert / Ceremonial Band

Swing Band

Drum and Fife Corps

"It's a tremendous opportunity to help mold some outstanding young men and women with a better appreciation of our heritage of military music."

--Major George Carroll



Maryland Wing

The newsletter is back with apologies for our enforced absence. We recognize the need to communicate regularly and effectively with all members of Maryland Wing Music. We will do our best to keep this informant regular so that people may be in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing!

We have established a great performance group and hope this newsletter will help bring us together to pull in more performances, and great musicians as well.

All rehearsals will be at the NNMC Auditorium. If there are any changes to the schedule we will do our best to inform you ahead of time.

March Schedule

March 9	
1000 - 1230	Field Music
1300 - 1600	Swing Band
March 16	
1000 - 1230	Field Music
1300 - 1600	Concert Band
March 23	
1000 - 1230	Field Music
1300 - 1600	Swing Band
March 30	
<i>No Rehearsal</i>	

Calling Volunteers for National Music Academy

Volunteers Needed — NMMA

The National Military Music Academy will hold its fourth annual music camp July 15th through August 1st. The NMMA will host more than thirty air cadets from across the US in this year's military music training camp.

A number of events are being planned for the activity, including a return to the Deep River Ancient Muster (July 30th) -- where NMMA cadets will participate with many outstanding fife and drum units, a possible rehearsal with the United States Air Force Band, and hopefully another retreat at Mt. Vernon (July 28th). Please note these dates are tentative.

Volunteers are needed to help conduct clinics as well as assist in a number of tasks including transportation, housing, food, and recreation. Civil Air Patrol members that are interested must fill out CAP Form 17, "Application For Senior Member Activities." These forms are available on-line at www.geocities.com/capnmma/NMMA.htm or you may obtain a hard copy from Lieutenant Goolsby.

The NMMA activity was a huge success last year, please help us put on another great camp this year as we further our mission of establishing music programs in the Civil Air Patrol. *Please volunteer!*

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Mark your Calendar!

**April 5, 2002
1800 - 1900**

**April 13, 2002
1300 - 1400**

Swing Combo Honors 60th Anniversary

Leaders of Civil Air Patrol from around the USA gathered at the National Air and Space Museum, March 2nd to honor the 60th anniversary of the founding of the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary. At the request of National Headquarters, Maryland Wing Music provided a small combo to provide music for the evening reception. Many compliments were bestowed on the players and on MWM. Our thanks go out to all participants.

Schedule of Performances

National Congress of Aerospace Education

The National Congress of Aerospace Education will hold a conference April 4th - 6th in Arlington, Virginia. Teachers and aerospace scholars from around the nation will attend. Maryland Wing Music has accepted a request to provide a swing band for the NCASE reception on Friday, April 5th. This will take place at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington [the Congress Hotel]. Downbeat is at 1800 [6:00PM]. Performance time is expected to be about one hour. The uniform will be WWII era khakis. Swing band members are asked to contact Lieutenant Powell as soon as possible concerning their participation.

U.S. Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen's Home

Those who haven't already responded should let Lieutenant Powell know whether or not they can participate in the performance scheduled for Saturday, April 13th at the U.S. Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen's Home [3700 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC] from 1300 to 1400. Uniform is khakis.

Possible Performance Pending Confirmations

Virginian Retirement Community

The Swing band has been requested to play at the Virginian Retirement Community [9229 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, VA] on Saturday, June 22nd from 1915 to 2030. Please notify Lieutenant Powell if you are able to participate in this performance. If scheduled, uniform will be khakis.

Brief History of CAP

The Civil Air Patrol was formed in 1941 primarily to perform civil-defense functions in response to the threat of German aggression. By an act of Congress, it became a formal auxiliary of the United States Air Force in 1948.

The USAF provides the Civil Air Patrol with technical services, advice and facilities. In return, the CAP - now with 51,000 members - provides aerospace education, emergency services and youth cadet training.

The CAP is best known for its Search-and-Rescue (SAR) operations. CAP performs this service for the United States Air Force, using a fleet of more than 5,000 aircraft.

In 1994, the Civil Air Patrol conducted nearly ninety percent of all Search and Rescue missions in the United States involving civilian aircraft.

The Civil Air Patrol is involved in United States Air Force training and communications planning. Its pilots fly thousands of hours in counter-drug reconnaissance missions for the United States Air Force and other federal agencies.